

Terry Wallace Associate Director, Strategic Research Los Alamos National Laboratory

Effective March 4, 2005 Los Alamos National Laboratory's Earth and Environmental Sciences division leader Terry Wallace has been named Associate Director of Strategic Research.

Raised in Los Alamos, Wallace returned in May 2003 to take the job of Earth and Environmental Sciences deputy division leader. Shortly thereafter, he was named acting division leader and took the position of permanent leader in December of that same year.

Prior to returning to Los Alamos, Wallace had been a professor of Geosciences at the University of Arizona since 1983. Wallace was also a faculty member in the Applied Mathematics Graduate Program, Curator of the University of Arizona Mineral Museum, and Director of the Southern Arizona Seismic Observatory.

Wallace has authored or co-authored more than 80 peer-reviewed publications in various areas of seismology and tectonics, including ground-based nuclear explosion monitoring, plate tectonics, regional Earth structure, and forensic seismology. He is the co-author of Modern Global Seismology, one of the most widely used textbooks on the subject.



Wallace received bachelor's degrees in mathematics and geophysics from New Mexico Tech in 1978. In 1983, he received his doctorate in seismology from California Institute of Technology. He received the Macelwane Medal in 1992 from the American Geophysical Union for outstanding research contributions by a young scientist and in February 2003, Carnegie Museum of Natural History honored him with the 2002 Mineralogical Medal for outstanding contributions in mineralogical preservation, conservation, and education.

